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TITLE: HOLLOW MEMBRANES WITH CAPILLARY  
TUBES, FLUID TREATMENT MODULES THAT  
USE THEM AND METHODS OF  
MANUFACTURING THEM  
EXAMINER: David L Sorkin  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.